

**Amendment to the Specification:**

**Please replace the 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph on page 9 with the following amended paragraph:**

In a second aspect the present invention provides a process for preparing an oral care composition ~~according to any one of claims 1 to 5, comprising the steps of:~~

preparing a mixture of comonomers as defined in the first aspect of the invention in an ethanol/water diluent;

polymerising the mixture by heating it under inert gas in the presence of an initiator;

extracting the polymer so obtained and blending it with one or more oral care actives and/or excipients so as to produce an oral care composition which is in the form of any one of a toothpaste, gel, foam, chewing gum, deformable strip or mouthwash and which is suitable for use in the oral cavity.

**Please replace the 1st paragraph on page 11 with the following amended paragraph:**

**Manufacture of polymers**

Manufacture of polymers is done by preparing a mixture of comonomers ~~as defined in any one of claims 1 to 3 as described above~~ in an ethanol/water diluent and polymerising the mixture by heating it under inert gas in the presence of an initiator